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Re:

U.S. Non-Provisional Patent Application

Appl. No. 09/988,821; Filed: November 20, 2001

For: Inventors:

**Cable Installation** Vidal et al.

Our Ref:

1757.0260001

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Sir:

In reply to the "Notice to File Missing Parts of Application-Filing Date Granted," dated February 12, 2002, Applicants submit the following documents for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

- 1. Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136;
- 2. PTO Fee Transmittal Form PTO/SB/17;
- 3. Copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts;
- 4. Letter to PTO Draftsman: Submission of Formal Drawings;
- 5. Fifty-Three (53) sheets of Formal Drawings (containing Figures 1, 2A, 2B, 3-53), approval of which is respectfully requested;
- 6. Return postcard; and
- 7. Our Check No. <u>35553</u> for \$520.00 to cover: \$520.00 for additional extension of time fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136.

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It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

STERNE, KESSLER, GOLDSTEIN & FOX P.L.L.C.

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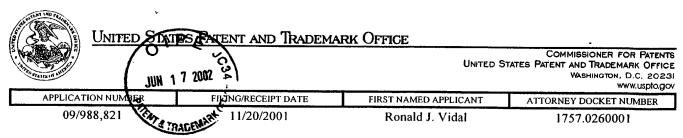
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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

## Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
   Applicant must submit \$ 740 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$18.
  - \$18 for 1 total claims over 20.
- The oath or declaration is missing.
   A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(I) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 888.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
  - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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Charge any deficiencies or credit any overpayments in the tees or fee calculations of Parts 1, 2 and 3 below to Deposit Account No. 19-0036. 115 110 55 Extension for reply within first month 215 116 400 FEE CALCULATION 216 200 Extension for reply within second month 1. BASIC FILING FEE 117 920 217 460 Extension for reply within third month \$520.00 **Entity Small Entity** arge (\$400.00 previously paid on 6/12/2002 with SKGF Check No. 35496.) Fee Fee Description Code (\$) Code (\$) 118 1.440 218 720 Extension for reply within fourth month 101 740 201 370 Utility filing fee 128 1,960 228 980 Extension for reply within fifth month 106 330 206 165 Design filing fee 119 320 219 Notice of Appeal 107 510 207 255 Plant filing fee 120 320 160 Filing a brief in support of an appeal 220 108 740 208 370 Reissue filing fee 114 121 280 221 140 Request for oral hearing 160 214 RΩ Provisional filing fee 138 1.510 138 1.510 Petition to institute a public use proceeding SUBTOTAL (1) (\$) 140 110 240 \$0.00 55 Petition to revive - unavoidable 141 1.280 241 Petition to revive - unintentional RECEIVED 142 1,280 640 Utility issue fee (or reissue) 143 460 243 230 Design issue fee JUL 0 1 2002 144 620 244 310 Plant issue fee 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES OFFICE OF PETITIONS 122 130 122 130 Petitions to the Commissioner 123 130 123 130 Petitions related to provisional applications Extra below Fee Paid 126 180 126 180 Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt <u>21</u> - 21\*\* = \_\_\_\_ <u>0</u> X <u>\$18.00</u> = \$0.00 40 Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties) 481 Indep. Claims <u>2</u>- 3\*\* = <u>0</u> X <u>\$84.00</u> = <u>\$0.00</u> Multiple Dependent \$280.00 = \$0.00 146 740 Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a)) 246 370 arge Entity Small Entity For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b)) 149 740 249 Fee Description (\$) Code (\$) 179 740 279 Request for Continued Examination (RCE) 103 18 203 9 Claims in excess of 20 102 84 202 42 Independent claims in excess of 3 104 280 204 140 Multiple dependent claim 169 900 169 Request for expedited examination of a 108 84 209 42 "Reissue independent claims over original design application patent
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## **Letter to PTO Draftsman: Submission of Formal Drawings**

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Submitted herewith are fifty-three (53) sheets of formal drawings with Figures 1, 2A, 2B, 3-53, corresponding to the informal drawings submitted with the above-captioned application. Identification of the drawings is provided in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(c). Acknowledgment of the receipt, approval, and entry of these formal drawings into this application is respectfully requested.

It is not believed that an extension of time is required, other than any already provided herewith. However, if an extension of time is needed to prevent abandonment of the application, then such extension of time is hereby petitioned. The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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